

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A service managing system for a restaurant or the like, comprising:

a portable table top terminal for enabling configured to enable customers to view menus and to order a desired dish, and being and driven by a battery;

a kitchen terminal for receiving and indicating configured to receive and indicate a dish ordered dishes from the portable table top terminal;

an accounting unit for casting configured to cast accounts in response to customers' requests input into the portable table top terminal by the customer, and indicating configured to indicate calculated results;

a control unit for processing configured to process data between the portable table top terminal, the kitchen terminal, and the accounting unit[[;]], and

a terminal receptacle provided at a customer location and configured to receive the portable table top terminal thereon, wherein

the portable table top terminal is ready for use when placed on the terminal receptacle, and

wherein data are transmitted and received using radio communications between the portable table top terminal~~terminal~~, the kitchen terminal~~terminals~~, the accounting unit, and the control unit.

4. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, wherein information indicating cooked dishes is input on the kitchen ~~terminals~~terminal and is transmitted to the portable table top terminals~~terminal~~ for indication thereon.

5. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, further comprising:

A a worktable terminal~~terminal~~ for indicating~~configured to indicate~~ a table to be served in response to the information representing the cooked dishes.

6. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1 or 3~~Claim 3 further comprising:

a guide display for indicating~~configured to indicate~~ at least vacant tables.

7. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 6, wherein the guide display also indicates routes to vacant tables and usable time thereof.

8. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of any one of ~~claims 1 to 7~~Claims 3 to 7, wherein a personal handy phone system (PHS) is used to exchange data and enable verbal communications.

9. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, wherein further comprising:

a head office terminal configured to transmit visual indications of new menus or commercials are transmitted from a head office to the portable table top terminals terminal for the purpose of updating existing data.

10. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, wherein the portable table top terminal is comprises:

a flat display panel for enabling customers to view menus.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 4 or 5, wherein the portable table top terminal and the kitchen terminal it is possible are configured to recognize names of employees operating terminals an employee terminal operator name and a terminal identification number of the operated terminals.

13. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 4 or 5, wherein the portable table top terminal and the kitchen terminal are configured to input a terminal employee name and a terminal time of input names and time of employees operating respective terminals, and items input thereon are recorded.

14. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, wherein either the portable table top terminals terminal or counter top terminals are configured to be used at a counter as a counter top terminal.

15. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 14, ~~wherein further comprising:~~

~~a counter top terminal receptacle is provided at each a counter seat and configured to, receives receive each a counter top terminal thereon, and the counter top terminal is ready for use when placed on the counter top terminal receptacle.~~

16. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 14, wherein the ~~portable table top terminals terminal and the counter top terminals terminal are identically structured.~~

17. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 11 or 15, wherein it is possible to recognize operating statuses of all the ~~portable table top terminal or counter top terminals terminal is configured to indicate an operational status when placed on the a respective terminal receptacles receptacle.~~

18. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 11 or 15, wherein ~~the table top terminal or the counter top terminal is configured to emit an alarm is emitted if each table or counter top terminal is not placed on the a respective terminal receptacle for a predetermined period of time.~~

19. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1, Claim 3 or 14, wherein electronic mails are exchanged between a plurality of table top terminals, between a plurality of counter top terminals, or between the table top terminals terminal and the counter top terminal terminal.~~

20. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1 or 3~~Claim 3,
further comprising:

~~is connected to an internet (international communication network) and connection~~
~~configured to enables enable~~ customers to check ~~an~~ availability of ~~a~~ service ~~items item~~ or a
presence of vacant tables via ~~an~~ exterior customer ~~terminal~~terminal.

21. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1, Claim 3 or 14~~,
wherein ~~various pieces of information are visually displayed on order terminals, the table top~~
~~terminals terminal or the counter top terminal~~ comprise a visual display.

22. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3 further
comprising:

~~a connection is connected to a point of sale network (POS), and common and~~
~~respective configured to transmit sales data are transmitted from a head office to respective~~
~~branches for the purpose of updating update an existing menu~~menu.

23. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1 or 3~~Claim 3 is
applied to stock control of respective items, wherein the table top terminal is configured to
display out-of-stock items are indicated on respective terminals.

24. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1 or 3~~Claim 3,
further comprising:

an order status device configured to indicate wherein when ordered items are not
available due to an emergency, such a situation is notified to the portable order terminals or

table top terminal terminals, ~~via the order receiving terminals and the kitchen terminal~~, or an external terminal.

25. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, wherein
~~when information representing delivery of cooked dishes is input in worktable terminals~~ the kitchen terminal, in response to an order placed by the portable table top terminal, is configured to input a product-ready indication and to transmit said product ready indication to the table top terminal, the information is displayed on the table top terminal where the order has been made, and

the portable table top terminal is configured to input an order-received indication and transmit the order-received indication to the kitchen terminal~~when the end of delivery is input on the table top terminal, it is indicated on the worktable terminals.~~

26. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3 or 14, wherein either the portable table top terminals terminal or the counter top terminals terminal are configured to indicate material information such as producing districts, suppliers, products obtained without using pesticides, or products obtained through organic culture.

27. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3 further comprising:

an image input unit capable of creating a menu and ~~so on~~menu.

28. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 9, further comprising:

an analysis unit configured to collect collects data concerning the a number of people observing a commercial, a time of commercial viewing, and the a number of commercials viewed.

29. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 1, Claim 3 or 14; further comprising:

a communications device configured to is capable of verbally repeating repeating contents of orders input via order terminals, or the portable table top terminal or the counter top terminal terminal.

30. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 1, Claim 3 or 14 wherein either the portable table top terminal or the counter top terminal are configured to specify a time for service to prolong a time of service, or terminate an order is applied to service trades where service time is specified beforehand, wherein remaining time reaching a predetermined value is indicated on table or counter top terminals, and prolongation of service time or termination of order is enabled.

31. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 3, wherein a plurality of portable table top terminals are configured to display a bill common to a group seated at a plurality of tables when a group of customers are separately seated at a plurality of tables, accounts are cast either for each table or in bulk.

32. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of claim 1 or 3, Claim 3, wherein working statuses of employees are continuously monitored and a work command is preferentially issued to idle employees.

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33. (Currently Amended) The service managing system of ~~claim 1, Claim 3, 4 or 14,~~ wherein the portable table top terminal or the counter top terminal is configured to display a sum of ordered items are indicated on real time basis at least on order terminals, table top terminals or counter top terminals.

34. (Cancelled)